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SUBJECT: EC/ACP SUGAR NEGOTIATIONS

REF: A) EC BRUSSELS 9083

B) EC BRUSSELS 8689

1. A TRAVELLING DELEGATION OF ACP SUGAR PRODUCERS HEADED BY JAMAICAN TRADE MINISTER PATERSON HAS CONCLUDED SEVERAL DAYS OF TALKS IN LONDON AND BRUSSELS WITH UK AND EC COMMISSION OFFICIALS. THE DISCUSSIONS, THE LATEST PHASE IN THE EC/ACP NEGOTIATIONS AIMED AT A NEW SUGAR ARRANGEMENT TO REPLACE THE COMMON WEALTH SUGAR AGREEMENT, FAILED TO PRODUCE AGREEMENT ON A MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE PRICE FOR THE SUGAR.

2. A CONSIDERABLE GAP REMAINS BETWEEN THE EC OFFER AND THE ACP DEMAND. THE EC'S CURRENT BEST OFFER IS REPORTEDLY 145 POUNDS STERLING PER METRIC TON, C.I.F. THE ACP'S ARE REPORTEDLY HOLDING OUT FOR A MINIMUM 180-200 POUNDS STERLING HOWEVER. IT SHOULD BE RECALLED (REF A) THAT THE EC OFFER ALSO CONTAINS A

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PROVISION FOR SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS, BY UK REFINERS,

ABOVE THIS BASE PRICE OF 145 POUNDS TO ENSURE THAT  
BRITAIN GETS THE SUGAR IT NEEDS IN THE CURRENT SHORT-  
AGE PERIOD. THIS SUPPLEMENT WAS THE MAIN SUBJECT  
OF THE ACP CONVERSATIONS IN LONDON.

3. SOME OF THE ACP SUGAR OFFICIALS HAVE NOW GONE ON  
TO DAKAR FOR THE ACP MINISTERIAL (DEC. 17-19) TO REPORT  
ON THE STATE OF THE SUGAR TALKS. SOURCES IN  
BRUSSELS DO NOT NOW EXPECT SUBSTANTIVE TALKS ON THE  
PRICE OF SUGAR TO RESUME UNTIL AFTER THE CHRISTMAS  
RECESS. GREENWALD

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